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Fair and continued cold tonight; tomorrow fair with rising temperature by night.

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## CHAMBERLIN STILL AHEAD OF WILMETH

Former Judge 268 Votes in Front With 141 Precincts In.

HARRISON ALSO LEADS

Cavins Trails 435 Bailots in Prosecutor Race in 220 Precincts.

Harry O. Chamberlin, former circuit judge, continued to hold his lead today over Delbert O. Wilmeth, former city judge, in the race for the Republican nomination for congress from the Twelfth district, although Wilmeth was well within striking distance.

With 141 precincts tabulated, Chamberlin had a total vote of 8,993 to 8,425 for Wilmeth. Will R. Adams, former supreme and appellate courts reporter, was running third.

Ralph Scott appeared to have the Eleventh district nomination clinched in a contest against several opponents.

Walter Pritchard continued to hold an apparently insurmountable lead over George L. Denny in the race for mayor, and Edward C. Holl, an organization choice, was leading Walter Rohrer for city clerk by a comfortable margin.

Denny made some inroads on Pritchard's total in belated returns, but tabulation of 184 precincts showed the machine-backed Pritchard to be in front, 16,180 to 9,483.

Alexander G. Cavins and William Henry Harrison still were staging a "horse race" for the prosecutor nomination, and Harrison held a slender lead with 220 precincts in. The Harrison total was 11,426 to 10,991 for Cavins.

An equally close contest was that for county clerk where Edgar Hart, the Republican county chairman, was leading George O. Hutsell, 10,912 to 10,779 at 220 precincts.

Charles W. Mann was well ahead of Samuel Montgomery in the Republican auditor race, and Frank Cones had Harry W. Collins well outdistanced in the treasurer contest.

Orel Chittwood apparently had clinched the sheriff nomination with a 13,234 to 7,595 lead over Howard Maxwell at 220 precincts.

Leading candidates for the eleven state representative posts appeared to be Albert Beveridge, 12,697; William H. Harrison, 12,697; Joseph C. Buchanan, 8,288; William Caldwell, 7,399; Harry Claffey, 7,493; H. Walker De Haven, 7,997; Walter S. Glass, 7,976; Laurens L. Henderson, 7,580; Conrad Ruckelshaus, 9,004; Robert Lee Brockenbush, 7,190, and Max Hosea, 6,842.

## Slate Is Ahead

Late tabulations in the Democratic primary races revealed no upsets and organization-backed candidates merely continued today to add to their vote totals.

John W. Kern increased his vote to 29,395 in the mayor race with 224 precincts tabulated, and Danny O'Neil was far in front with 14,729 votes for city clerk.

Herbert M. Spencer was little short of doubling the vote of his two opponents in the prosecuting attorney contest. The Spencer total at 235 precincts was 17,457 to 9,783 for George S. Dailey and 9,114 for Russell J. Dean.

Organization choices were far ahead on the Democratic judicial ticket with Clarence E. Weir, Herbert E. Wilson, Smiley Chambers and John F. Geckler all holding comfortable margins.

**Ray Still in Front**  
The sheriff race, which saw the regular county organization take a decisive drubbing, apparently was well tucked away in the capacious pocket of Otto Ray, former police captain. Ray had piled up a 15,490 total against 9,534 for Will T. Brown, state excise department inspector and the organization choice.

Clarence Shover was a poor third with 6,227.

Frank McKinney, another organization choice, was far ahead in the county treasurer race, and the incumbent coroner, Dr. William E. Arbuckle, also had an insurmountable lead.

Clarence I. Wheatley and Ernest K. Marker, the incumbent, continued to stage a hot battle in the race for county commissioner from the Second district. Wheatley had 9,967 at 235 precincts to 8,466 for Marker. John Newhouse was leading two opponents by 2,000 votes in the First district commissioner race.

**Hendricks Far Ahead**  
Thomas A. Hendricks had piled up a 3 to 1 lead over Joseph A. O'Mahoney in the state senator race, and organization choices were well up in front in the eleven state representative contests.

The eleven high representative candidates:  
Edward P. Barry, 15,696; Carl E. Wood, 13,993; Albert Sahm, 13,847; Dennis J. Colbert, 13,328; Mrs. L. Berta Nicholson, 13,014; Charles Lutz, 12,447; John C. Kirch, 10,374; Joseph Patterson, 9,381; Morris Coers, 9,703, and Fred Barrett, 9,381.

**Doris Duke Gets \$29,933.793**  
SOMERVILLE, N. J., May 11.—Doris Duke's trust fund from the estate of her father, the late James B. Duke, founder of the American Tobacco Company, amounted to \$29,933,793.71, it was revealed today in a final accounting of the estate.

**Hourly Temperatures**  
6 a. m. .... 55  
7 a. m. .... 55  
8 a. m. .... 55  
9 a. m. .... 56  
10 a. m. .... 56  
11 a. m. .... 56  
12 noon .... 56  
1 p. m. .... 55

## PILOT VISITS CITY



Jimmy Mattern

## MATTER BRINGS FAIR INVITATION

Famous Flier Tells Plans for \$50,000 Race to Australia.

Jimmy Mattern, a stocky and pleasant gentleman with an almost bashful smile, dropped his white Waco plane softly to earth at municipal airport today with the complaint that the business of being a messenger of good will led to "pretty short flights."

Then, while official welcome came in droves, the world-circling pilot intimated that he expected to get his everlasting craving for long flights out of his system by entering the London-to-Australia \$50,000 race next fall.

Whoever wins that will be the ace of aces," he grinned—and the grin held anticipation. He explained that he was considering three planes, one of them a Lockheed. At a bystander's suggestion that his Waco might do, he laughed and added:

"She does 125 miles an hour top—and that's really top. Nothing under 200 will have a chance in this race."

Mattern, who came here to extend invitations to the Century of Progress to the people of Indiana through Governor Paul V. McNutt and Mayor Reginald Sullivan, was asked whether he expected to try another solo round the world flight.

"That's been done," he answered. "I'm always trying to go something that hasn't been done before."

A motorcade of eight cars went to the airport to meet Mattern. The welcome included representatives of the Chamber of Commerce, the Indianapolis Aero Club, the Aircraft Owners Association of Indianapolis and the city.

The famous flier was taken to Governor McNutt's office from the airport and from there to Mayor Sullivan's office and, finally, to a luncheon given in his honor at the Antlers hotel.

## Meyers Reported on Way to Face Bank Charges

Grand Jury Indictments Returned Against Four Officials of Defunct Institution.

Ferd S. Meyer and Sol S. Meyer, two officers in the defunct Meyer-Kiser bank, were reported today on their way to Indianapolis from Miami, Fla., to face charges of embezzlement and grand larceny of the bank's funds.

He said he never talked to investigators for Circuit Judge Earl R. Cox nor gave information to the grand jury.

**Defendants Make Statement**  
In a statement following their arrest, release on bond, and photographing by newspapers, Mr. Kiser and Mr. Cohn said:

"We ask our friends and the public to withhold judgment until the facts can be presented to an impartial judge and jury. The indictments are only accusations. We have not been heard."

"As nearly as we can ascertain from the face of the indictments, the transactions upon which the charges are based consist of an ordinary interest-bearing loan made in the ordinary course of business to a solvent real company. Numerous similar loans were made and have been and are being repaid."

"No officer or director of the bank had any financial interest in the loan in question. We want to assure our friends that we believe a fair trial will result in our complete vindication," the statement read.

**Investigation Is Culminated**  
Return of the true bills yesterday culminated months of investigation into the affairs of the Meyer-Kiser bank.

The probe was begun by Alvah J. Rucker, special investigator for Circuit Judge Cox, while the bank has been under a receivership in circuit court. Results of his investigation were brought to the attention of Judge Baker, who in turn referred the matter to Prosecutor Wilson. The prosecutor placed the matter before the grand jury.

Floyd J. Mattice, chief deputy prosecutor, was named by Mr. Wilson to serve as special grand jury deputy.

The bank was closed three years ago by the state banking department.

**Two Are Burned to Death**  
CHICAGO, May 11.—Trapped in bed in their small apartment, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Anderson, about 60, were burned to death today before firemen could gain entrance. Seven other families escaped the burning building by jumping from windows.

## Little Hope Is Seen for Rain Here

26th Day of Dry Spell Brings No Promise, Says Armington.

The twenty-sixth rainless day, with the exception of two light showers, dawned fair and cool in Indianapolis today.

With crops gasping for rain, there are no indications of rainfall in weather forecasts. J. H. Armington, local meteorologist, said. The dry stretch drought, which is damaging crops, may continue for days.

The dust clouds which invaded the city last night, coating homes with a thick powder, still hover over the city, Mr. Armington said.

Meanwhile the heat wave has abated, temperatures falling to 56 degrees at 2 a. m., 3 degrees below normal for May 11.

## DEATH VICTOR OVER SCIENCE

N. Y. Police Battle in Van to Save Pneumonia-Stricken Baby.

NEW YORK, May 11.—A two-days' battle enlisting modern science, a police emergency squad and gas company experts failed today to save the life of Roy Barry, the weakest of 6-month-old twins suffering from pneumonia.

Roy died this morning, but his brother, Ross, was believed out of danger.

The twins, sons of Peter and Rose Barry, were stricken Wednesday.

The doctor appealed to the gas company for oxygen and then sent an emergency squad to the supplies to the Barry home and eventually an oxygen tent was fitted over the crib.

Exactly a year from the day Mr. and Mrs. Barry watched twin daughters, Vera and Eileen, die of pneumonia, the battle to save Roy failed.

Ross, larger of the 6-month-old twins, breathed almost normally, and the oxygen tent was removed from his crib.

As the crisis approached many neighbors were seen to drop to their knees on the sidewalk outside. Others offered candles and roses to the Holy Name Catholic church. Among the supplicants were three other Barry children, Ronald, 8; Marie, 7, and 3-year-old Robert, kneeling in grave mimicry.

For a year until recently clerk and carpenter Barry was jobless. Then as he rejoiced at a new job pneumonia struck his family again.

## INQUEST DISPROVES CONFESSED SLAYER

Coroner Recommends No Bond for Mrs. Sandstrom.

MATTOON, Ill., May 11.—The coroner's jury at a secret inquest last night recommended that Mrs. Anne Sandstrom, Indianapolis, be held on murder charges without bond, in connection with the fatal shooting of Carl V. Thompson, Indianapolis casket salesman, early Wednesday in a hotel room.

Evidence brought out at the inquest disproves Mrs. Sandstrom's story that she wrestled with Mr. Thompson for possession of a .38-caliber revolver which inflicted two fatal wounds in Mr. Thompson. According to this evidence, the five shots were fired in rapid succession.

## ARGENTINA DEADLOCKS WORLD WHEAT PARLEY

Refuses to Agree to Minimum Price on Exports.

LONDON, May 11.—The world wheat conference reached a deadlock today when Argentina refused to join an agreement for a minimum price on exports.

Argentina's refusal was announced by Dr. A. Fernandez Beyer, after most of the other nations represented had accepted the agreement.

The other nations declared the agreement must be accepted unanimously or not at all. Mr. Beyer expressed regret, but said Argentina could not agree.

## Sugar Consumption Rises

NEW YORK, May 11.—The Sugar Institute, Inc., announces today that domestic sugar consumption during the first quarter of 1934 amounted to 6.44 per cent above that of the previous year.

# WILD SPECULATION IN GRAIN PITS CONTINUES AS FARMERS PRAY FOR RAIN TO SAVE FAST DYING CROPS

## THREE BANDIT SUSPECTS ARE NABBED IN RAID

Ohio Trio Captured at Richmond by Police, U. S. Agents.

RICHMOND, Ind., May 11.—Three Ohio bank robbery suspects captured in a rooming house here by police and federal agents were transferred to Springfield, O., today under heavy guard.

The prisoners, who gave their names as Thelma Mitten, Springfield; Vernon Taylor, 28, Springfield, and Harry Hopkins, 23, Jamestown, O., are suspected of robbing a bank at Postoria, O., of more than \$13,000 and have been identified as participants in bank robberies at South Vienna and Plain City, O., Richmond police said.

Identification in the South Vienna and Plain City robberies was made by the sheriff of Madison county, Ohio.

The raid on the rooming house here was made after it had been watched for several days. Tear gas bombs were used to drive out the trio, who surrendered without resistance when they saw that the place was surrounded by police and federal men.

One shot was fired at Taylor when he tried to escape through a rear door. He ran back into the house.

Search of the premises revealed a huge sum of cash, a German Leuger gun which had been converted into a sub-machine gun; three pistols, one sawed-off shotgun, a high powered rifle and several rounds of ammunition.

The suspects refused to talk when questioned here.

## JUNIOR C. OF C. TO HOLD ANNUAL FROLIC

Surprise Entertainment Will Be Given During Program.

Surprise entertainment and many prizes will feature the annual spring frolic of the Junior Chamber of Commerce to be held tomorrow night at the Athenaeum Rathskeller.

Music will be provided by Connie's band. Lawrence Voltrath, entertainment committee chairman, is assisted by Dr. D. Ledig and John Clark.

## SPRING FIRM QUARTER EARNINGS AT \$89,351

Income Is Equivalent to 60 Cents a Share; Sales Set Record.

CHICAGO, May 11.—Net earnings before federal income taxes of Reynolds Spring Company for the first quarter of 1934 amounted to \$89,351, equivalent to 60 cents a share on 148,000 shares of no par capital stock outstanding, Charles C. Munn, president, announced today.

These earnings compare with a net loss of \$4,180 in the same period of 1933 and a net loss of \$77,368 in the same period of 1932.

Sales for April were substantially the same as those for March, when they were the highest ever recorded by the company. The company also reached its all-time peak in employment in March with 1,800 on its pay roll.

## Weary Vote Clerks, Eyes Blinking, Still Counting

But Tonight They'll Be Sleeping the Sleep of the Just Safe in Their Homes.

BY HELEN LINDSAY  
Times Staff Writer

"Two hundred and fifty-four; two hundred and fifty-five—what time is it? Two hundred and fifty-six—" the weary count goes on. Every one else in the world must be asleep! The town clock booms three times—what, only 3 a. m.?

"Three hundred and five—three hundred and six—ho-hum!" He's licked! Sleep's got him! But he wasn't counting sleep.

It's the vote count of the Beech Grove precinct in the town hall. It's been going on without ceasing since the close of the polls Tuesday night. By 2 this afternoon, the last day of the ballots was expected to be counted. John Little, Democratic judge, rubbed his aching head wearily at noon today, and sat up from a make-shift bed in one corner of the room.

"Thanks, boys," he said. "That helped a lot. Let's go on with the counting."

House slippers and discarded shoes, ties and coats were strewn about the room. Over the back of a chair is a crumpled bath towel. Scattered candy papers are on the floor; some one has a sweet-tooth.

"It never took this long to count the vote before, because we had smaller precincts," Orville A. Williams, inspector, explains. "This year the precinct takes in what formerly was practically three. And of course the ballot's much larger."

Though the count has gone on without a break for three days and nights, each man working has had some small amount of sleep.

"We pull the chairs together, and sleep on them, or on the floor—just any place," they explain. "And the meals that the women from the Christian church serve us have helped a lot, too."

The little town of Beech Grove may have some festivity tonight, but there are nine men who won't attend. They will be sleeping the sleep of the weary in their own homes.

"It's a sure cure for insomnia," they advise. "This vote counting has it all over counting sheep."

## Fussy!

There Are Boys Who Want Straw Lids With Bands Fancy-Like.

BY BASIL GALLAGHER  
Times Staff Writer

"MOPEY DICK" and the "Duke" came to town today via the Monon route. As the train stopped just outside the city limits "Mopey" and his pal emerged from under a freight car to survey the scene of future foraging expeditions.

Weary with travel, the two irrepressible knights of the road simultaneously wiped moist brows. "Mopey's" hamlike hand reached for a blue bandana, and he delicately flected a bit of dust from his battered black felt hat.

"Straw hat weather," he observed.

"You're tellin' me," said the Duke.

THE naïf clerk at the men's furnishing counter carefully removed a 1934 model straw "kelly" from the shelf. Handling it like an object d'art he turned the hat carefully, to allow the lights to play on its shapely angles, like light on the facets of a jewel. The young man in the belows-back suit was intrigued.

"The crowns are slightly higher this year," chattered the hat salesman, "and the brims are a little wider. Brims average about two and three-eighths inches. Everybody this year is wearing the sailor, or yacht, type, straw hat. They're all the rage."

"How about panamas?" the elegant young man in the belows-back suit asked.

"Well," said the salesman, "they're popular, of course, but 35 per cent of our straw hat sales this year will be on sailors' and the other 35 per cent in panamas, leghorns, bangkoks and milans."

"Isn't that band rather loud?" asked the elegant one, looking covetously at the pink, yellow, and purple stripes adorning the hat's creation.

"Oh, no," said the salesman slightly shocked. "That's all the style. Of course we have regimental and club stripes, but loud fancy bands are all the rage."

The sartorially perfect young man bought the hat and gave place to a brusque red-faced business man.

"I want a straw hat," he said, eyeing the clerk severely. "And it doesn't have to be the 'rage,' see. No fancy bands. Just plain bluster."

Flustered, the clerk completed the order.

"Will you wear it now, sir?" he asked timidly.

"Wear it now," followed the red-faced man. "Dye think I'm crazy? Tuesday day on May 15, new Tuesday, is time enough for me."

Apologetically spluttering, he stalked out of the store.

"MOPEY DICK" and the "Duke" hove to in front of the Salvation Army store at 127 West Georgia street. Perspiring freely, the two pals gazed longingly at an array of last year's straw hats. Hundreds of the dilapidated relics of last year's finery were stored in the shop.

The obliging Salvation Army man pulled down hat after hat from the shelves.

"Ain't you got none with loud bands?" asked "Mopey Dick."

"They're all the style this year."

"Ha, ha!" chortled the "Duke," "just a big pansy. Plain black's good enough for me."

## Wheat Market Spurts Toward Dollar Mark at Opening, but Falls to 88 3-8 Cents at Close, Off 2 Cents.

CONFUSION GENERAL; PRICES GYRATE

Gigantic Dust Storm Sweeps Over East After Buffeting Midwest, Killing Cattle and Menacing Thousands.

CHICAGO, May 11.—While farmers prayed for rain to save their fast-dying crops from drought today, brokers in the grain pits of the Chicago Board of Trade speculated wildly in wheat, the crop that has been hit hardest by dry weather.

The wheat market, spurred to a 5-cent advance by a tremendous dust storm yesterday, moved further toward the dollar-a-bushel mark at the opening today, but as reports of dust abatement were received there was a reaction and at the close May wheat was 88 3/8 cents, off 2 cents.

During the entire market session, trading was at an unusual pace with buyers rushing to fill orders and confusion general on the floor. Prices gyrated wildly.

Meanwhile from the farming areas came reports that rainfall is far from normal. North Dakota's precipitation was 39 per cent of normal; South Dakota, 42 per cent; the driest since 1890; Minnesota, 54 per cent, and Illinois, 56 per cent.

Canada reported that unless general rains fall within nine days, the entire wheat crop in the three prairie provinces will be in grave danger.

## ROSCOE TURNER CRACKS RECORD

Speed Flier Makes Detroit-to-New York Hop in 1 Hour, 27 Minutes.

NEW YORK, May 11.—A new flight record between Detroit and New York was claimed today by Colonel Roscoe Turner, speed pilot. He flew from Detroit to Floyd Bennett field in 1 hour 47 minutes and 21 seconds. The previous record, between Detroit and Newark airport, was 2 hours 26 minutes.

Turner said his Wedell-Williams monoplane, with a new 1,300-horsepower Hornet motor, reached 340 miles an hour for a considerable distance.

Roscoe Turner, holder of both east and west coast-to-coast flight records and many other speed honors, has accepted the post of official starter for the 500-mile race here and will send the thirty-three cars away on their search for gold and glory, Memorial Day.

"I will be delighted to send your men of speed on their way on Decoration Day with plenty of luck because I know how much they need it," said Turner in accepting the position of official starter.

Famous men of speed have always been called upon to handle the main flags for the 500-mile race. Gar Wood, holder of the world's speedboat record, officiated as starter last year.

## PROMINENT MUNCIE BUSINESS MAN DEAD

Heart Disease Takes Eugene Valet; Was 33rd Degree Mason.

MUNCIE, Ind., May 11.—Eugene Valet, Sr., 68, prominent Muncie business man and a past commander of the Indiana Knights Templar, died suddenly at his home here last night of heart disease.

Mr. Valet, a thirty-third degree Mason, suffered the attack while returning from the state Templar convention at Bloomington. He was chairman of the board of directors of the Merchants National bank here, and served as grand commander of the Templars in 1921.

## GERMANY ASKS RIGHT TO RE-ARM IN AIR

Envoy Suggests Three-Power Pact; Britain Is Reluctant.

LONDON, May 11.—Germany, which has been buying airplanes heavily in the United States and Great Britain, made an open bid today for the right to re-arm herself in the air.

Joachim von Ribbentrop, special German envoy on arms matters, suggested to Sir John Simon, foreign secretary, that Britain, France and Germany enter into a three-power air force convention. Sir John was understood to have replied that Britain is not ready to discuss the matter.

## LET'S GET GOING

Something new in the way of sport will be seen soon in Indianapolis when the first annual Wm. H. Block Company-Indianapolis Times Roller Skate Derby is held on Saturday, May 26, at Tomlinson hall.

Twelve events, eleven of which will be races, will be held, and any person living in the state is invited to take part. Prizes will be awarded at the close of the Derby.

Events will be held in three classes: Under 14 years of age, 14 to 18, and above 18.

Free entry blanks are obtainable in the B. C. department, Third floor, Block Company.

A full explanation of the Derby is being given by the Times today on page 14. Read it, fill out an entry blank, and then watch The Times for further Derby news.